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On the Ski Trails

in the

High Sierras

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"GOLD IN THEM THAR HILLS"

FULTON W. COPP, (Illinois) '24

Development Engineer

"Redeemable in gold on demand at the United States Treasury, or in gold or lawful money at any Federal Reserve Bank." Perhaps you have never taken time to read that sentence on a Federal Reserve Note, the meaning of which was driven home more than ever on the 4th of March when these notes were not redeemable in gold.

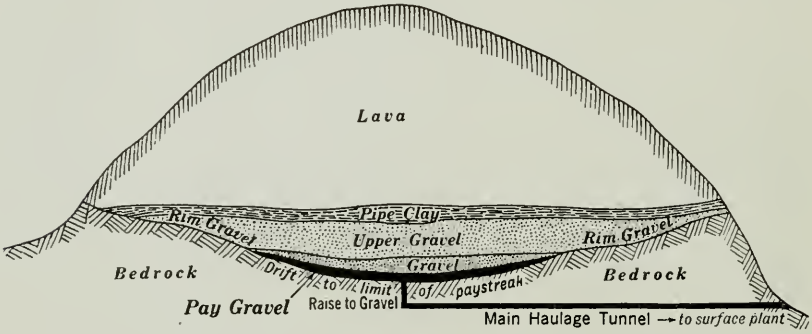
The world-wide drop in commodity prices has again focussed general attention on the importance of gold. Not since '98 when thousands rushed to the Klondike has the country witnessed such a revival in activity on the part of gold mining companies. Old abandoned workings are being resurveyed and reappraised; individual prospectors or "snipers" as they are called, are again combing the hills for the precious metal.

The primary reason for the continued success of gold mining companies is that there is no problem in marketing the product of this industry. Gold as a commodity has an unlimited demand in a world-wide market at a uniform price, $20.67 per ounce. The gold produced goes to the mints where it is coined. Gold is money itself, and since 1929 has risen substantially in purchasing power. Lowered operating costs and improved machinery and mining and metallurgical methods also favor renewing operations at this time.

Our business for the last six years has been the development of natural resources and, like everyone else dependent more or less on the whim and fancy of lower Manhattan, we have found ourselves with more vacations than were necessary. We had been interested in mining for some time and especially so in precious metals. For three months in the spring of 1932 our office checked more than one hundred reports on gold mining properties, from

this list we selected only one that we thought warranted further investigation. This mine, Bunker Hill, had been recommended by a prominent San Francisco mining engineer. There are many Bunker Hill mines in California but this particular one is located on the divide between the Yuba and Feather Rivers in north central California at an elevation of 6200 feet in the Sierra Nevada Mountains.

Here at the top of a mountain is, paradoxically enough, an old river channel, known as the Gibsonville Ancient River Channel, which by a trick of nature has been lifted into the skies. Ages ago when it was in a valley, water from the surrounding hills washed pure gold down from the quartz foundations and deposited it in the gravel of the river bed. Some of it even lodged in the crevices of the rock bottom. In its present location, the ancient river



Typical Cross Section of Gibsonville Ridge

channel is covered by a dome of lava which has protected it and kept the gravel with its valuable deposits from being washed away.

The process of mining this gold consists essentially of driving a tunnel from the side of the hill to a point below the middle of the old channel. A working tunnel is then driven up along the channel and laterals to each side give access to every portion of the richest deposit. Gravel to a depth of five or six feet and about a foot of the underlying rock are removed and hauled to the mouth of the tunnel. Here they are dumped into a sluice where the sand, gravel and rock are washed away while the gold settles to the bottom and is recovered.

As is always the case I spend the first year of operation on a new property so accordingly I left New York on November first for a long snowy winter. Our principal work this winter has been to drive a main haulage tunnel in to the bed rock and plan for large-scale production this coming summer, also to make plans for the installation of new generating equipment, electric haulage

and a new air compressing plant. This work will start as soon as the roads are open, probably about June 1.

The Sierras are of course noted for their heavy snow fall (Sierra Nevada—snowy peaks) and Bunker Hill is in the heart of the snow belt, the average fall being 18 feet. Last winter I was at the Winter Olympic Games at Lake Placid but little did I realize that a year later I'd be in a real snow country where skiing was a necessity and not a mere sport. Temperatures are not severely low which accounts for the heavy snowfall. The average is about 27 degrees above zero. Often days are very warm and the snow becomes exceedingly soft and wet, only to freeze at night and form a hard crust. Regulation hardwood skiis are not

Looking North Toward Feather River

satisfactory because of the softness and dampness of the snow. The skiis that we use were made in our shop, very long and of fir. The soft wood retains the tar bottoms and holds the dope better than hickory.

What do we do in this American Siberia? It has been snowing most of the night which is the usual and not the unusual—the breakfast bell has just rung—6 A. M. One can console himself somewhat by knowing that it is nine in New York. Luckily, my tremendous St. Bernard, "Watty," has jumped the gun and has the trail to the boarding house opened. Light eaters soon mend their ways here—dinner is still six hours away.

Driving our main tunnel, which has been the principal work this winter, requires but 14 men, 4 miners, 6 car men, 2 enginemen and two foremen. The crew will be considerable enlarged this

summer. My particular job is to keep everything within the budget, but just to pass the time I can find many other things to do, one morning it will be making wedges, collar braces, ties and keys in the saw mill, another morning there will more than likely be three of four hundred pounds of steel to put through the pneumatic sharpener, then there is electrical work and surveying on Saturdays. Then there are leters and reports to write, but they are just good night work, for, after all, outside attractions at Bunker Hill are very few and far between.

An army is said to march on its stomach, by the same token, tunnels are driven. My first job here was to prepare the commissary lists and order the supplies; mine cooks know from long experience just the right things so I had no trouble. Item No. 1 was 3000 pounds of potatoes, a ton and a half of flour, a ton of sugar, white beans, kidney beans, Mexican beans, and lima beans, boxes of apples, truckloads of canned goods and by far too much corned beef. The point has been reached now that "Watty" alone subsists on corned beef. Thanksgiving and Christmas were of sufficient importance to pack turkeys 14 miles on skiis.

Sunday is Wash Day

Routine becomes a part of everything. Monday night is reserved for "black-jack," on Tuesday the winners of the Monday night night game play poker; Thursday is for cribbage, and lighter games for nights when the silver dollars are scarce. The black-jack money has been concentrated in the snuff boxes of the terrible Swede "Gus" since St. Patrick's Day.

The "Cousin Jack" miners insist that the boys are too fast for them. Bridge is still unheard of at this elevation. On several occasions I have taken the boys through Central Park, the Bowery and to the Kentucky Derby via my 16 mm. movies. They, likewise, have been more willing and far less temperamental actors for "A Winter in the Sierras" than the Hollywood variety.

No one can ever appreciate a radio until he has spent a winter under 12 feet of snow, 6200 feet above the Golden Gate and 14 miles from the nearest neighbor. The news broadcasts hold the spotlight.

I have even lost track of the days. Ed Wynn has just exclaimed—"I'm a fugitive from the Daisy Chain"—so it must be Tuesday.

It would be entirely wrong to think that everything here is work. "Time Out" is taken every second Sunday. On these days breakfast is an hour later. Laundries do not abound in the Sierras but there is plenty of hand work and Sunday morning provides the necessary time. The underground foreman will even cut your hair, gratis, on Sunday. We may all get on the skiis and go up on the flat for a cross-country race. The casualties are very minor because of the great depth of the snow but a ski may get away and break up on a tree. When we have sufficient ambition we go to La Porte

Mine Buildings Under Twelve Feet of Snow

—a 28-mile trip. La Porte must not be passed over without saying that it has had its day even though it may resemble Searchlight, Nevada, or Tombstone, Arizona, now. In the '80's more than $200,000,000 was shipped to the San Francisco mint from La Porte. Even last summer the "snipers" turned in more than $1,000 per day which they recovered from Slate and Rabbit Creeks. Please do not let these figures persuade you to snipe here this summer for the country is already overrun. Pilot peak, with its lookout station at 7500 feet provides the grandest ski ride of all, two hours up and ten minutes back. Usually the weather is against us so the stoves absorb the tales of the West.

Nine o'clock and it's bed time. The coyotes have just begun their long distance chants. The night shifts will be in at three, so perhaps I'd better dream about Poughkeepsie or old Gramercy Park.

"The days of old, the days of gold, the days of '49."

AUBURN'S FLYING T. U. O.'S

Aubrey A. Taylor, H B '34

No less than four members of Eta Beta chapter are now actively engaged in the study of aviation under the practical instruction of Professor Solon Dixon, himself a T.U.O.

Professor Dixon, familiarly known on the Auburn campus as "Sox," has been interested in aviation for a long time. He obtained his degree in mechanical engineering at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute in 1926 and two years later purchased a Waco three-place plane. Since complying with the license requirements, Professor Dixon has spent many leisure moments at the controls of his ship, and at this writing has over four hundred solo hours to his credit. He has flown the ship some forty thousand miles.

In the fall, during the football season, "Sox" usually takes the week-end off and flies to the games in his Waco, when he is not instructing students in flying, he usually takes passengers up for pleasure rides. About one thousand persons have been carried for spins over the countryside.

Professor Dixon has been connected with the faculty of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute in the Department of Mechanical Engineering since his graduation. With the addition of an Aeronautical Engineering course last year he was given several subjects in that course to teach. Almost every afternoon, "Sox" may be seen soaring over the Auburn campus and adjacent territory giving instructions to some student of the institution. Approximately seventy-five pupils have been taught the rudiments of flying first-hand from this lover of the airways.

The Waco ship and Dixon have not confined their activities to pleasure riding and instruction. An event happened not long ago in the town of Andalusia, Alabama, while "Sox" was home on a vacation, in which both played a leading part.

A young boy had been drowned in the Conecuh River not far from town, and searching parties had been organized to hunt for his body. They searched hours but could not find even the slightest trace of the boy. Finally Dixon cranked up his aeroplane and soared out over the river in an effort to locate the body. In a very short while he spotted the body from the air and directed the searching parties to its recovery.

The plane, which contains a one-hundred-ten horse-power motor, has a cruising speed of ninety miles an hour, and a landing speed of forty-three miles an hour. It is equipped for instrument flying with the exception of a radio. The fuel consumption is ten gallons of gasoline and one pint of oil per hour.

During the total flying time there have been but two minor accidents. Each time the plane was slightly damaged by landing on a very small field in a cross wind. One forced landing has been made on cross-country flying due to engine trouble.

At the time that Professor Dixon bought his Waco, there was no landing field at Auburn. As a consequence he was forced to do his landing and taking-off from a small field on the campus. Last year, however, the government completed an intermediate landing field on the Atlanta-New Orleans air mail line. This field is located about two and a half miles from town on the Opelika highway. It has been christened the Auburn-Opelika Airport.

L. to R., Smith, Murray, Dixon, Adams, Holder

The new field is in the form of an "L" with runways north-east and south-west. They are about three-fourths of a mile long and five hundred feet wide (effective area). The airport is maintained by the American Airways and is equipped for night flying.

The four T. U. O.'s who are taking instruction from Professor Dixon are very apt pupils, according to their tutor. Most of them "soloed" in less than ten hours. The boys are Ray Holder, '35, taking aeronautical engineering, from Lucedale, Mississippi; John Adams, '35, registered in the mechanical engineering course from Montgomery, Alabama; Wilbur Smith, '35, enrolled in the aeronautical engineering course from Red Level, Alabama; and Claude Murray, electrical engineering student from Mobile.

Holder now has about twenty-five solo hours to his credit. Smith and Adams are credited with fifteen apiece, while Murray, who has only recently taken up the practical flying course, has two. Adams, Holder, and Smith have been doing solo flying for several weeks.

EDUCATION PAYS THE BILLS

F. K. Fleagle
Chairman, Committee on Scholarship

How much will education increase my earning capacity? Is a college education worth anything in dollars and cents? Many a young man must face these questions and decide for himself whether it will be to his ultimate financial advantage to remain in college, or save the four years' time and expense, and look for a job at once.

The only basis on which such questions can be answered must be the experience of other people, and no single case can be used as a conclusive illustration. We sometimes hear people cite the cases of Ford and Rockefeller to show that college education and financial success have no relationship. Such illustrations would have weight only if the one applying them had the native business ability of Ford or Rockefeller, but the most of us are only persons of average ability, and our comparisons should be made on the basis of the records of other persons of average ability. The man of exceptional ability cannot serve as a model for us.

One would think that the earning ability of farmers would be influenced by educational advantages as little as that of any group of workers. From an editorial in *The American Schoolmaster* March, 1924, we quote the following paragraph: "In dollars, how much does education increase the earning capacity of the young farmer is a question asked by the State Agricultural Colleges. The Georgia Agricultural College collected the facts from 1,271 farmers of that state, and found that those who had no schooling earned on an average only $240.00 a year, those with a good common-school education earned $565.00 a year, and those who had completed a high-school course earned an average of $666.00. The men who had completed an agricultural short course and those who had graduated from an agricultural college were earning an average of $1,254.00 a year. The Kansas Agricultural College collected data regarding 1,237 farmers in that state, and found that the average young farmer with a common-school education earned $442.00 a year and the high school graduate $550.00. The man who had taken a short course in agriculture earned an average of $859.00 a year, and the college graduate $1,452.00." It seems evident that education helps a farmer increase his earning capacity.

From the University of North Carolina *News-Letter* we quote the results of an investigation made by Dr. E. W. Lord, Dean of Business Administration of Boston University, as to the earning capacity of groups of various ages and degrees of education. Here it will be noted that at each stage of life, incomes reported are

higher as the degree of education advances. It will also be noted that as the years advance the income increases, but this increase comes to an end with those over fifty years of age when there is only a common-school education, and with those over fifty-five when a partial or complete high-school education was reported. For college-trained men, the late fifties show a slightly less income, for the average man, than do the early fifties, but the maximum is attained in the early sixties.

Median income by age-groups, according to type of general education, 1926.

Age group years	1,267 men elementary school	1,295 men partial high school	1,772 men high school graduates	557 men college graduates
25-29	$1,120.	$1,400.	$1,430.	$1,750.
30-34	1,550.	1,675.	1,800.	2,400.
35-39	1,625.	1,742.	2,000.	3,200.
40-44	1,634.	1,920.	2,450.	4,000.
45-49	1,700.	2,000.	2,600.	5,200.
50-54	1,528.	2,200.	2,800.	5,500.
55-59	1,500.	2,050.	2,460.	5,300.
60-64	1,365.	1,850.	1,975.	6,200.

The above figures show that the average life earnings for the years from twenty-five to sixty-five are as follows:

Men of elementary school education	$ 60,160.
High school graduates	87,520.
College graduates	167,760.

Thus the average high-school graduate earns in the forty years, a total of $27,360. more than the man with an elementary school education, and each of his years spent in the high school has been worth $6,840. to him. The average college graduate earns a total of $80,240. more than the high-school graduate, and consequently each year in college added $20,058. to his total life earnings. Think about these figures before you make a hasty decision to leave college before graduation. Unless you can get a job that pays you $20,000. a year, you are losing money.

In an article in the *Kansas Teacher,* May 1923, it was pointed out that although less than one percent of all Americans are college graduates, this one percent has furnished 55 percent of the presidents, 36 percent of the members of congress, 47 percent of the speakers of the house of representatives, 54 percent of the vice-presidents, 62 percent of the secretaries of state, 50 percent of the secretaries of the treasury, 67 percent of the attorney generals, and

69 percent of the justices of the Supreme Court. This article estimates that the college man's chance for eminence is 370 to 1 against the non-college man, and that 277 times as many college men had amassed wealth as had non-college men. In the 1922-23 edition of Who's Who in America, a total of 24,278 names is listed. Of this number 14,055 were college graduates and 3,384 more had had some college training, while 2,756 were listed as high school graduates. Such figures indicate clearly the relationship between education and success in life.

A survey made in 1931 of one thousand jobless persons being supported by Milwaukee tax-payers revealed that 900 had less than an eighth-grade education, only seven were high-school graduates, none had been to college. Commenting on this, the *Rotarian Magazine* says that if conclusions ever are justified, it would seem that, imperfect though it may be, public schooling is a distinct aid to the individual in adapting himself successfully to his basic problem, making a living.

It would be a mistaken idea, of course, to believe that the mere possession of a college diploma will provide a man with a job at a good salary. But the average college graduate has received a training and adaptability that should enable him to place himself more advantageously than he otherwise could, and if he exerts as much energy and persistence as does the man of less education, he ought to advance faster and farther. The average college graduate has found that education has a distinct money value.

WENDELL HENRY BAIN WINS HIGH HONORS AT GEORGE WASHINGTON

At the Founder's Day banquet at the Eta Alpha chapter house on February 16, Professor Elmer Louis Kayser, who acted as toastmaster, said that although T.U.O. may not always be able to lead in scholarship, athletics, or activities, she will always be known for the personalities which she has produced. In February, 1929, the Eta Alpha chapter initiated, among several others, a shy, reticent and quiet pledge from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, known as Wendell H. Bain. No one ever imagined that this mild-mannered brother would bring to T.U.O. the most active student in extra-curricular activities who has ever attended George Washington University.

Brother Bain, holding a responsible position at the State Department and attending evening classes, soon set out to capture the honors awaiting the more ambitious members of the student body. That he is deserving of the honors which are his is indicated by the high esteem in which he is held by faculty and students alike, and by the degree of intelligence and business acumen which has characterized all of his accomplishments.

Devoting most of his extra-curricular efforts to the *Cherry Tree*, University annual, he has risen from being the photographic editor in 1930 and advertising manager in 1931, to business manager in 1932 and 1933, meanwhile holding various other positions on the business and editorial staffs. He was recently re-elected business manager for 1934 by the retiring board.

His industry on the *Cherry Tree* has led to his election to Omicron Delta Kappa, national honorary activities fraternity; Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity, and Gate and Key, honorary interfraternity society.

Another fraternal affiliation is Delta Phi Epsilon, professional Foreign Service fraternity.

Journalistic activities also won him the presidency of the District of Columbia Press Conference, an office which he held during 1932-33.

In addition to the various positions held on the campus, he has served his chapter in numerous capacities, as rush captain in 1930, 1931, and 1932; as recorder in 1931 and as master in 1932. He

has also participated in many interfraternity athletic contests. In 1932 and 1933 he was elected the chapter delegate to the Interfraternity Council, and during his last term served as social chairman of that group. His main duty in this capacity, was to make arrangements for the annual Interfraternity Prom, which was one of the most successful ever held.

Brother Bain's record is truly one of the most praiseworthy ever to be attained on the George Washington campus. He still has a year of his college career before him, and it is not unlikely that he will add more laurels to his already great store.

ALWAYS SOMTHIN'

Richard M. Radl (Illinois) '33

"Western Union speaking," a suave work-a-day voice explained over the phone. "We have a telegram here for you. Would you care to take the message?" And so began one of the most novel and refreshing hoaxes ever perpetrated on this campus. Some seventy fraternity and sorority houses received this same phone call on the same night some two weeks ago and, without exception, bid the aforementioned voice go on and deliver the message. This, in all seventy cases, was the rest of it:

"Am arriving on the noon train Saturday. Please have some one meet me."

And it was signed, the voice assured us when it called T. U. O., by Brother McGinness himself.

What a havoc this message created at the Theta hovel when the voice called that house! "Our national president is coming," squeaked the bewildered girls as they aimlessly ran about the house digging out good shoes and presentable dresses, cleaning their usually smudgy house, and instructing open-mouthed pledges in matters of decorum.

The Sig Pi's proceeded to put their showers in order when the voice explained that *their* national officer was coming to see them.

Here at our house conditions weren't much better and general excitement ran higher than most. The front door hinges were oiled "So's not to tear ears out by the roots" as Brother Harnden put it, and the improvised bar in the trunk room was knocked down to be set up again at a future date. Windows, which I had forgotten existed, were scraped with putty knives and chisels until finally natural light again played about in our little home. Master McGuffin was the only one of us who dreaded this supposed visit of Brother McGinness' and that only because he feared the Arch Master might view the T. U. O. situation on this campus with a slightly jaundiced eye and tongue-lash us all accordingly.

Came *the* Saturday. Three of us were delegated to welcome Brother McGinness on his arrival and, after industriously scrubbing ourselves with strong soap and water and struggling into our best rags, we trooped down to the station. On our arrival we were surprised to find a mob of some two hundred young men and women milling about the place exchanging banter and audibly wondering why seventy national fraternity and sorority presidents should choose to visit the campus at one and the same time.

"Mark my words, friends," one bespeckled and long faced A. K. L. assured the mob from his position on the railing. "Thar's

going to be hell to pay. After these 'powers on high' leave us, fraternities and sororities will be a thing of the past here at Illinois. They're going to tear us apart, smite us between the eyes, and . . . . . " but his speech was cut short by the sharp blast of the train's whistle as it came into view from the north.

Slowly it pulled into the train shed and with a final jerk came to a panting halt. A short smiling conductor stepped to the ground, handed an old lady from the train, looked at his watch, and with a wave of his hand disappeared in the car door. The train began to move again and as the last car rounded the turn and disappeared bedlam broke out among the two hundred.

"Some $%"!!"*** has went and done us a doity trick!" came from a score of throats. "and the trouble I went to to fix my hair specially for the occasion!" wailed a pretty young thing.

We T. U. O. delegates didn't wait to hear the rest of the more fiery little speeches but began to foot it home. Now, two weeks after this event, we have reached the definite conclusion that some one tried to fool us. You've got to admit that for fast thinking we're no slouches, eh?

STEVENS DEAN ANALYZES FRATERNITY TRENDS

In a recent report to the Interfraternity Council of the Stevens Institute of Technology, Dean John C. Wegle, who holds the position of assistant dean in charge of student activities, made an analysis of the problems involved in the fraternities' effort to get and hold members.

The present economic and financial crisis has affected the fraternities very severely, and if long persistent will certainly result in some drastic changes in them. A decrease in fraternity membership is threatened by:

(a) Lack of funds for students to return to college.

(b) Lack of funds for students to enter college.

(c) High per capita costs of running chapter houses, brought about by a decrease in membership as a result of (a) and (b).

(d) Normal student mortality, not dependent upon the present economic situation, but one of the worst factors in the membership problem.

The optimum number of fraternities on a campus depends upon many factors, such as scholarship, students who live at home, extra cost of fraternity membership, and so on, but mainly upon the college enrollment. A decreased freshman enrollment affects all fraternities and may eventually force some chapters out of existence. That the enrollment is decreasing can not be denied. At Stevens Institute, the number of applications for enrollment in the freshman class in 1930-31 was 220; in 1932-33 the number had dropped to 170. These are *applications*. The number accepted and enrolled each year has been almost constant, about 150.

Still more ominous, to the fraternities, are the figures concerning the percentage of those freshmen who became fraternity members. Although the freshmen enrollments have practically remained constant for the last five years, the number of freshmen initiated into active membership by the end of their freshman year has dropped 16 percent. The average percentage of freshmen who become fraternity members has been 33 percent for the past ten years. During the school year of 1932-33, to date 11 percent of the 140 members of the freshman class are active members of fraternities.

The report continues, "A decrease in enrollment because of failure of students to return or enter college, or both, will bring about corresponding increase in fraternity costs, due to reduction of membership, making it almost prohibitive for students to join a fraternity. Looking at this cold-bloodedly, it would, therefore,

appear likely that some fraternities will have to return their charters.

"No fraternity may expect consistently to have a lower class mortality than the college itself unless it has a higher scholastic requirement than the college. It is not a consistent policy to require a high scholastic requirement for initiation into a fraternity and after the award has been bestowed to permit a drop of scholarship standards. The mutual benefit between the chapter and its active members is in direct proportion to the active life of its members. It is far better to have one member remain active for four years than to have four members active for one year. Make every effort first to choose well-qualified men and then see that they stay in college for the full undergraduate course.

"Let us face the facts. Your fraternity existence depends to a large extent upon the college maintaining an average student enrollment comparable at least with the enrollments of the past years. If this is to be accomplished, the college and the fraternities must each do their share. The figures show that with a negligible change in total student enrollments, the total number of students joining ten fraternities has steadily decreased at the rate of approximately two percent for the past four years. The number of chapters depends directly upon the number of students enrolled, therefore, a decrease in the latter results in a decrease in the former."

The copy of the report presented to Gamma Alpha chapter concludes with a chart showing the variations of total membership of that group for the past ten years as compared with the average membership of all the fraternities. For that period the average membership of all the fraternities at Stevens has been 21 men while the average of Gamma Alpha chapter has been 19.5 men for the last ten years. The variations have not been great, the chart showing a minimum number of 17 and a maximum of 24 men. Incidentally, the latter figure is for the last recorded year. This, together with Gamma Alpha's outstanding scholastic record and its strong alumni backing, makes this chapter one of the strongest fraternities on the campus at Stevens.

NEW YORK CLUB REPORTS ACTIVE WINTER SEASON

GEORGE BRUNDIGE, *Secretary*

The earlier activities of the New York Club were recounted in the December OMEGAN. However, inasmuch as the publication date of that issue fell rather early in the course of the club's current active year, little could be reported other than the election of officers and the activities of the first two meetings. Since that time the club has been carrying on a busy program, as will be shown in the following record of its later meetings.

As was stated in the earlier issue, the club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at about 8:00 P. M. It was found that this would be the most convenient time for the largest number of members. It has been the custom of many of the men to have dinner at a nearby restaurant before proceeding to the meeting place for the evening. Inasmuch as the Gamma Alpha chapter house has been the club headquarters this year, it was felt that it would be to the advantage of both the chapter and the club if the club members had their meals at the chapter house on meeting nights. In this way, the House benefits by the additional customers, and the club members may pass their plates a second time without additional cost. In addition, there are no tips or cover charges to worry about. To get away from the materialistic phase of the question, both sides gain because of the contact established between the club and the undergraduates. Although the active members are welcome, few find time to attend the meetings because of studies.

The meetings themselves are of both educational and social nature. The earlier part of the evening is devoted to a talk on some subject of interest to all. The diversified nature of these talks will be evident from the resumes of the meetings.

After the talk, those present break up into groups and entertain themselves with cards, ping pong, or discussions of anything and everything.

There are also refreshments in abundance waiting to be served after the meetings. These refreshments consist of ginger ale, grape juice, cake, peanuts, or anything else which the ingenuity of the committee may devise. At the March meeting ice cream was served in honor of the arrival of spring! The committee is not to be caught napping. Hope has been expressed that the same alertness for appropriate refreshments will manifest itself at the April meeting, in honor of the seventh of that month. At this writing that meeting still lies before us. There ought to be unprecedented attendance.

The first two meetings of the New York Club were outlined previously. In order that the record stand complete in one issue, as far as is at present possible, we shall remind you that the first parts of these meetings were devoted to descriptions of vacation experiences, with motion pictures, and of hypnotism.

At the December meeting Frank Polkinghorn, Γ B '22, gave a talk on genealogy and spoke in detail about the methods used in determining ancestry. He presented a chart showing the result of many hours of work devoted to tracing one side of his family. The inevitable question regarding horse thieves came up, but Brother Polkinghorn beat his listeners to the draw by suggesting it first. It must be recorded, however, that the matter was not related in any way to Brother Polkinghorn's ancestors. The refreshments following this meeting were appropriate to the season. They consisted, in part, of *Pfeffernuesse,* a type of German spice cake seen a great deal in Hoboken around Christmas time.

E. F. Williams, H B '25, spoke on vitamines at the January meeting. He discussed the discovery and properties of each, and spoke of the way in which the vitamine content of foods is determined. Brother Williams had brought with him a mysterious cardboard box, which he kept closed until toward the end of his talk. It was noticed by many that this box would shake violently every little while. No one mentioned this to his neighbor however, fearing that his sobriety might be questioned. When the cover was finally removed, a white rat jumped forth and began running around the top of the table in high gear, occasionally emitting loud squeals. Biological chemists, it seems, have the habit of 'trying it out on the rat' instead of on the heretofore customary dog. One of the members present sought to further biological research by feeding a bit of graham cracker to the animal. The rat seemed anxious enough to cooperate, but Brother Williams felt that two experiments tried simultaneously on the same rat might produce results difficult to interpret clearly. The rapid consumption of refreshments served after the meeting seemed to indicate that everybody, including Brother Williams, felt that expriments in nutrition were all very well just as long as rats, and rats alone, were used as subjects.

At the February meeting, M. E. Jansson, Δ A '23, gave a talk on the intricacies of book publishing. First he discussed some of the economics of that business and the factors entering into the selection of manuscripts for publication. Then he outlined how to go about writing a book and getting it published. On that subject Brother Jansson is particularly qualified to speak. Not only has he as technical editor for the D. Van Nostrand publishing house rejected hundreds of manuscripts, but he is at present writing a

ponderous book on mathematics which he expects will be published in the fall. Lastly on the program he exhibited and read from an amazing collection of letters, each offering to sell a manuscript to his house. Many of these manuscripts were on the most riduculous subjects. Many of the letters were from unbelievably illiterate people and some from plain cranks.

"Defense Against Air Bombing" was the topic discussed by Brother Frederick Esher, ΓA '27, at the March meeting. Brother Esher is employed by the Sperry Gyroscope Company, which has had much to do with the army's engineering development work. Obsolete methods of anti-aircraft gunnery were first considered, after which Brother Esher described in detail the operation of a new type of gun battery which tests have proven very effective. The device consists of two essential parts—the "finding" mechanism and the battery itself, which are located at a distance from each other. The duty of the men at the finder is to keep the cross-hairs of a telescope in line with the target. A series of levers and cams plots the future position of the airplane and continually transmits to the guns the results of its calculations. The gun crew keeps the battery adjusted in accordance with the indications of the finder. For use at night, the finding mechanism is equipped with a device for locating the airplane by means of the sound of its motors. A searchlight is then turned on and the operations of aiming and shooting are the same as by daylight. Some were disappointed that Brother Esher could give them no advice about avoiding pigeons.

The last meeting of the current year will be held on Tuesday evening, May 16. The committee is planning to make this a special night, as the club will not meet again until October. Although nothing definite has been arranged, the possibility of holding this meeting in a Hoboken beer garden has been considered. Although Hoboken has changed since the war, there is still much to identify the old town with its past. It is felt that a farewell gathering around a table on a mild spring evening with, perhaps, the sound of a funny old German band playing folk-songs in the distance, will add just the right final touch to a season of pleasant associations.

PHILADELPHIA CLUB HOLDS BOTH WEEKLY AND MONTHLY MEETINGS

Chester L. Cobb, *Secretary*

During the past few months our activities have been somewhat varied. One of the most interesting meetings was had when an official of the Bell Telephone Company explained to us the use of the Dial System of telephoning, the manner in which it was

introduced, and the changes in the system in the last few years. Instruments were on hand and practical illustrations given of the manner in which a signal is picked up, transmitted, and the correct receiver selected. An open forum was held and such questions as increasing costs, cut in employment due to the new system, maximum capacity of instruments and tracing of telephone calls were discussed. The little black instrument seems to hold as much romance as it transmits.

We held a party in December but it so happened that the heaviest snowfall of the year chose the same night to make its appearance and the attendance was rather light. To amend this, a number of our brothers attended the "Twenty-one" party given by the active chapter of Epsilon Alpha. Maybe they wanted to revive old memories of the good old days when they began to vote and sway the destinies of the world.

Basketball has been "King" and several nights, after our usual dinner and short business meeting, the fellows have walked a block to Mitten Hall and watched the progress of a successful year on the court for Temple U.

Our weekly luncheon has proved to be much more successful than we hoped, and depression or no depression, it goes steadily on its way playing its part in keeping the brothers in touch with each other.

LOS ANGELES CLUB AIDING BERKELEY CHAPTER

N. B. Hodgkinson, *Secretary*

Lothar C. Maurer, president of the Los Angeles Club was obliged to resign in February due to his leaving for Fort Humphrey, Virginia, to take a course in the U. S. Army Officers Engineer School. H. E. Hedger presided over the February 14 meeting held at the Army and Navy Club.

The difficulties of fraternities at Berkeley is generally known in the fraternity world and while Gamma Beta chapter has proved stronger than many, it has, nevertheless, had its share of trouble in operating a large house. Hence the actions of the alumni corporation holding title to the house was the subject of much discussion at the February meeting. The result was that the club voted to solocit each member for a subscription of $25 to aid the chapter in a temporary difficulty.

Following this Brother Hedger gave a very interesting talk explaining the functioning of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation loans for the relieving of the unemployed.

The March meeting was also held at the Army and Navy Club and the main business was the election of officers for the ensuing year. The following offices were filled:

President ..... H. E. Hedger
Vice President ..... R. J. Kadow
Secretary-Treasurer ..... C. R. Drenk

A PROGRAM FOR THE LOCAL CLUBS

A Recipe for Turning a Dozen Bored Brothers in a Cool Meeting Room into an Active, Living Fraternal Organization

By Thomas J. Frailey
National Vice President of Alpha Chi Rho

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The post cards had been sent. The date for the organization of the club had arrived.

So had eleven Brothers.

They were seated in a large room. In fact, too large for the number present. The arrivals hailed from four Chapters. Now what?

Maybe it was just a little disappointing. It certainly was not exciting. There they sat. What was the idea of a local club anyhow? The class years were so scattered that even those from the same Chapter did not know each other.

Then the twelfth Brother came. He had seen other clubs organized; he knew their possibilities; he was fully aware that everyone present had heard of the true fraternal spirit, so glaringly absent that night. So, after acquainting the Brothers assembled on a more intimate basis, he proceeded to tell them what could be done when they really knew each other.

Smokers, banquets, dances, bridge, bowling, baseball, beach parties. Then, as a going concern, a flourishing unit, it would be mutually advantageous as well as a real asset to the national organization. Doubtless the entire eleven discounted the whole story. They did not believe it could be done. But a year later, with the membership doubled, every suggested project had been tried with glorious success and the club was an object of pride to the national organization. Thus is briefly related the authentic history of one of the local clubs of Alpha Chi Rho.

The Chapter is the principal vitalizing force of the Fraternity. Through it the Fraternity continues to live and grow. Too much attention and supervision cannot be devoted to it; the importance of the Chapter cannot be over-estimated.

But the Chapter is not the only force available. The fraternalism acquired in the Resident Chapter is not to atrophy, or grow cold, when the days in that Hall have passed. The tenants of our Brotherhood were never intended merely for four years at college.

The local club is the life giving factor, the sustaining influence, which continues in a practical way the admirable fraternal principles infused in earlier years. It really applies that time-honored admonition, "Be Men," unifying the best in every Chapter at a time in life when values are appreciated and practical brotherhood, during days of maddened competition, is most needed.

How can all of this be accomplished? Here is the program.

It should be stated at the outset that a Graduate Club will not function automatically even in this machine age. Effort and industry are required.

The item of first importance, following, the organization, is the selection of a secretary, who will guarantee regular notices, regular meetings and incessantly urge regular attendance. This will insure intimate acquaintance among the Brothers, so necessary for future activity.

Then schedule a social event and invite the wives of the Brothers.

Plan meetings at the homes of the Brothers.

Engage in outdoor sports, baseball, tennis, swimming. Do this as a Club. Propose contests with a neighboring Alpha Chi Rho Club.

Get publicity. Others will then join. Nothing succeeds like success.

Invite the members of the nearest Resident Chapter to participate. Plan a dance for the local Residents, when they come home for Christmas or spring vacation. Offer prizes to them for scholarship or success in other lines.

Have the Brother, who is principal of a local high school (for there usually is a Brother so engaged) prepare a roster of the boys who anticipate entering college and entertain these boys under the auspices of Alpha Chi Rho, before they matriculate. Such a procedure is always an aid to the Resident Chapter during rushing season.

Send a representative to the National Convention. Make a pilgrimage to your Resident Chapter. The undergraduates are interested and have great expectations of the local club.

Plan the big event of the year when the National Secretary makes his annual visit to the local Resident Chapter or passes through your locality in the interest of the Fraternity, and assemble the entire membership to receive a report of the other Chapters and the activities of the National Fraternity. Such meetings have always been successful.

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GAMMA ALPHA MEN TAKE LEADS IN STEVENS SHOW

A. E. Blirer, Γ A '35

The members of Gamma Alpha chapter have long been prominent in the activities of the Dramatic Society at Stevens. The president and business manager of that organization are members of the active body, Richmond L. Cardinell and Edward G. Polster, and other men have acted or worked with the crews. This activity reached its high point with the presentation of the Varsity Show, "The Pipefitter's Fancy, or Virtue Rewarded at Stevens," on the evenings of April seventh and eighth.

Richard L. Cardinell

The Show was hailed as being the funniest and best Varsity show ever presented at Stevens. Richmond Cardinell played three roles in the production, and co-author of the story, wrote much of the music and lyrics used, and was assistant director of the production. Paul T. Kaestner, '35, played several parts in the show. He was a clerk in the farce "Ne Poniemayu," the setting of which was a Russian hotel lobby; Hendryk Hudson in the underwater drama "Salimagundi;" the Jezebel in "The Good Ship 'Pride of Communipaw Flats' "; and a member of the ballet of the opera "Il Braggadocio."

Thomas D. R. Carvill supervised the lighting effects for the society, Daniel F. Hoth and Thomas N. Dalton constructed the sound system, and High Mills helped on the stage crew and in the building of the sets used.

The new sound system was used for the first time in a public performance on the occasion of the show. The system is a permanent one, designed in part by Daniel Hoth, and is said to be the most complete and flexible ever installed in any theater. It was designed for use in the show, but is to be employed as a necessary adjunct to the recently acquired sound picture projector. The equipment possesses excellent properties of quality, amplification

and reproduction. It is possible to reproduce the sound from the projector, records, or the voice of an announcer over a number of combinations of loud-speakers and in any proportions desired. The speakers are located over the proscenium arch in the auditorium, and others have been installed in the lobby for making announcements during intermission periods.

Thomas D. R. Carvill supervised the solution of the difficult problems encountered in the working out of the lighting effects. Among the problems encountered were the emultation of a sunset in an Italian forest, a lamp-lit hotel lobby, the deck of a ferry boat bathed in sunlight, and the depths of the Pacific Ocean in a scene purported to take place at Davy Jones' Locker. In addition to these effects a form of satirical entertainment was devised. The difficulty here was to manipulate the equipment so as to get the right effects without creating the impression that the routine pecularities were not due to mistakes on the part of the operators. Carvill's success was testified by the smooth working of his men during the many necessary changes of effects.

Edward G. Polster

The show itself was divided into two acts and four scenes, no two of which were related. A Russian farce was the substance of the first scene. The next part of the show was titled "Salimagundi," and the action took place on the floor of the ocean. Cardinell took the part of a diver, and his helmet was outfitted with the necessary apparatus to carry his voice through the sound system to the audience. He encountered such persons as mermaids, Hendryk Hudson, Magellan, and Cabot. Both scenes were replete with ridiculous situations, satire and parodies.

The third scene was a good old-fashioned "meller-drammer" with hero, heroine, villain, and the scene was set to represent a small section of a ship's deck. Kaestner played the part of the Jezebel, and Cardinell was one of the bouncing sailors. The climax was reached after the villain had prepared to horsewhip the hero, when the pressure rose to alarming heights in the ship's boilers.

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THE LAST OF THE OLD INAUGURATIONS

Roger Marquis, H A '33

The interests of fraternity chapters at George Washington University are so tangled up with the political and social life of our national capital that to listen to the dinner-hour conversation at Eta Alpha chapter is better than reading "Washington Merry-Go-Round." Many of the members hold full—or part-time jobs in various governmental bureaus and departments, and invitations to social affairs are plentiful for personable young men who can make conversation and don't fall over their own feet. Consequently, they are on the inside of that complicated structure which is Washington society. This article gives the opinions of one of them on the passing of the traditional March fourth inaugurations.

Through the radio and the motion picture, the inauguration of our new president, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, has been brought to every resident of the United States, and into many foreign countries.

It was appropriate that the last of the old inaugurals should be witnessed by the largest crowd ever to attend a similar event. Between 250,000 and 300,000 American citizens came to Washington from all sections of the country. On the Capitol Plaza alone, there stood 100,000 people who saw and heard Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes administer the oath of office, and then listened as history was made by President Roosevelt's brief, human, fighting address.

The three-mile distance from the Capitol to the White House found large masses of people lining the curbs to catch a glimpse of the innumerable bands, the military units, the State delegations led by governors, and the various novelty numbers which were included in the most spectacular of all inaugural parades. President Roosevelt viewed the parade from the glass-enclosed Court of Honor, especially constructed for the occasion in front of the White House, and was flanked on either side by broadcasting booths from which vivid descriptions of the affair were sent to all the nations of the world by those premier announcers, Floyd Gibbons and Ted Husing. It was dusk before the final contingent marched by the Court of Honor and very few of the spectators had become weary enough to think of leaving such a colorful event.

In the evening, many thousands crowded the downtown streets and the Washington Monument grounds to witness the greatest display of fireworks ever presented in Washington. Shortly thereafter the crowds thronged in the direction of the Washington Auditorium to participate in the Inaugural Ball, and dance to the

music of some of the country's best dance orchestras. Few, if any, were able to secure a dance with the guest of honor, the First Lady of the land. After having suffered an eclipse for more than a decade, the Democrats made this an occasion of great celebration and put on one of the best shows ever seen in Washington. But four years hence much of the pagenantry will be gone. When another president takes the oath on January 20, 1937, it will probably be in the staid Senate Chamber before a selected audience, and a battery of microphones and movie cameras. The cold, bitter weather of January will prevent the incoming president from addressing any large audience on bleak Capitol Hill. The snow and sleet of January will not permit any large parade and the other outdoor activities which have become so much a part of the inaugural ceremonies, will have to be curtailed. All of this means the end of public participation in this greatest of American ceremonies. The voice of loud speakers can never give the patriotic stirring of the crowd as they salute the massed colors or the spontaneous cheer produced by some familiar figure. Much as we may sneer at emotional displays, as Washingtonians are prone to do, we cannot help but feel thrilled that we are Americans as the highest and lowest in rank join in welcoming the new president and saying farewell to the old.

It will be more comfortable for the president, for those who marched, and for the spectators, but it never will symbolize quite so much as the inaugurations of past years. To one who has seen many, the future inaugurations may be more sensible, but they will never be quite so stirring.

GAMMA ALPHA MEN TAKE LEADS IN STEVENS SHOW

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All on board awaited the fatal moment when it would no longer be possible for the boilers to stand the stress. After persuading the villain to repent his evil ways the hero announced that he, through his technical training received at Stevens, could save the ship, strode nobly to the center of the stage and pulled the rope releasing the steam valve. Of course all ended happily.

The final scene was a hilarious Italian "Operee." Cardinell, in addition to helping write the score, was the Antipasto of the opera. Paul Kaestner demonstrated his abilities as a ballet dancer. After the show the cast and audience went to the Stevens Castle for the dance.

Chapter News

Beta Alpha
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

The intramural bowling tournament was won by the chapter after a very close race. T. U. O. and Theta Chi were tied for a time, but in the deciding game on March 23, T. U. O. Beta Theta Chi 4-0.

Gamma Alpha
Stevens Institute of Technology

The installation of the new officers of Gamma Alpha chapter took place at the meeting held on March 20. Those now occupying the various position are: master, Thomas D. R. Carvill, '34; marshal, Richard Dischinger, '34; recorder, Paul T. Kaestner, '35; scribe, Edward J. Hazen, '34; herald, Arthur Blirer, '35; steward (temporary), Paul Kaestner; chaplain, Arthur Reichard, '35; inner guard, Daniel F. Hoth, '35; outer guard, Walter E. Carbone, '35; senior Interfraternity Council delegate, Arthur Reichard; junior Interfraternity Council delegate, Walter E. Carbone; athletic manager, Horace G. Oliver, '35.

The following men have recently pledged to Gamma Alpha chapter; Joseph Costanza, '34; Louis Church, '34; Edward Otocka, '35; Thomas Tarzy, '35; and Hugh Mills, '36.

The three degrees were conferred upon Peter deBruyn, '34, and Thomas N. Dalton, '35, during the week of March 20.

A formal open house dance was held at the chapter house shortly before the Christmas holidays. One of the largest turn-outs in the past few years attended the affair, which was held in conjunction with the local chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi. The music was furnished by the Cliff Club Orchestra, a very popular organization which has played at several similar functions at Stevens. Dancing was at the T. U. O. house, and the music was relayed by means of a radio pickup and amplifier to the Alpha Kappa Pi house next door. Refreshments were served at the latter house. Decorations were in the fraternity colors, blue and gold. The dance was hailed as one of the most successful of its type held at Stevens.

Several informal dances and house parties have been held in conjunction with the basketball games and dramatic presentations at the Institute.

A number of prospective members of the class of 1937 were entertained at the house on Prep Night, Friday, April 28. This event is a regular part of the college schedule. Invitations are sent to a large number of high and prep schools in the metropolitan district, and especially to men in the third and fourth years who are interested in a technical education. The program consisted of addresses by the president and dean of the college, motion pictures dealing with Stevens life, inspection of college buildings, a physics demonstration, and a short presentation by the Dramatic Society. The big event of the evening was the final of the annual cane sprees between members of the freshman and sophomore classes. Horace Oliver represented Gamma Alpha and the sophs in one of the contests.

Delta Alpha
University of Illinois

We have found that radio dances prove more popular and cost less than the former fashionable dances which we were wont to have. Other fraternities and sororities on this campus have discovered this to be true, with the result that the radio business is enjoying a period of heaven-sent prosperity.

Epsilon Alpha
Temple University

The Manufacturers Country Club, now a traditional meeting place for Epsilon Alpha pledges, active members, and associate brothers, will be the scene of the T. U. O. Twelfth Annual Spring Dinner-Dance, May 20.

Clifford Snedecker, chairman of the dance committee, is completing plans for securing a well-known collegiate band that will rank with the orchestras of former Epsilon Alpha formals.

President and Mrs. Charles E. Beury will be honor guests and Neal B. Bowman, '25, will be a special guest who will fill the role of toastmaster as he has in former years.

Herman McFerran, '34, is the new marshal succeeding David Weaver, '33, Kenneth Kramer, '35, was unopposed for the office of herald. He succeeds Keneth Satchell, '34. Elections for the offices of master, steward, chaplain, scribe, recorder, inner-guard and outer-guard will be held this month.

The scholarship report of the chapter was submitted to the members by Harold McComb, '33, chairman of the scholarship committee, on March 31. Over two-thirds of the forty-three members had averages of 3 (C) or better. James Yon, '33, had the highest mark of 1.82. His name will be engraved on the Epsilon Alpha scholarship cup. Ferman McFerran, '34, won second place honors with a 2.00 average. Malcolm C. Farrow, '33, house master, holds third place in standing with a 2.16 average. "Pete" and high grades are almost synonymous. He had second highest average last year, and won the coveted first place position the previous year.

Five members of the spring pledge class became active brothers of Theta Upsilon Omega following a successful and well-regulated "Hell Week."

New members of Epsilon Alpha are: Richard P. Barr, '36, Shamokin; William L. Powell, '36, Glenside; Charles H. Evans, '33; Haddonfield; Harold H. Fowler, '36, Montgomery; and Charles Taylor Shane, '36, George School.

A large gathering of mothers, sisters, fiancees and fathers, attended Epsilon Alpha's Mothers' Day celebration. James Yon, '33, Wilson Hamor, '34, and Robert Dawson, '35, comprised the committee that produced a successful affair. Chairman Yon succeeded in arranging a program that entertained one of the largest gatherings ever to atend a Mothers' Day celebration.

Eta Alpha
George Washington University

It is with a great deal of pride that Eta Alpha announces that during the first semester of this year, its members ranked second in scholarship among the fraternities on the Interfraternity Council. This boost in grades is undoubtedly due to the pressure that has been brought to bear on the individual members by the Arch Council. A determined spirit prevails at the house to raise that ranking from second to first by the close of school in June.

The annual Founder's Day banquet was held at the Kennedy-Warren on February 16. Elmer Louis Kayser acted as toastmaster, and speeches were given by Henry W. Herzog, Orville Wildes, Master of Eta Alpha, and William Reese of the associate chapter.

Immediately following the banquet, the final degree took place, and pledges Edmund Stanley Van Brunt, James Luther Phelps, and Lloyd Henry Volkart were formally initiated into T. U. O.

Eta Alpha's bowlers, after sweeping through stiff opposition to annex the championship of League A, bowed in defeat to the Delta Tau Delta team, League B champions, by a mere six pin margin. The team was sadly handicapped by the loss of its two stars, Clyde Reeves and Alan Dryer, who were unable to participate in the final match to decide the recipient of the Interfraternity Council cup.

Iota Alpha
Pennsylvania State College

Iota Alpha held its annual election of officers on March 27. The newly elected officers are as follows: Frederick K. Graham, '34, master; Cleo N. Bushey, '34, marshal; Covelle J. Newman, '35, scribe; Kenneth O. Bonebreak, '34, recorder; Hillard A. Smith, '34, steward; Richard A. Grubbs, '35, herald; Bernard L. Sharon, '35, chaplain; Henry G. Thomas, '35, Junior Interfraternity Council representative.

The chapter bridge team, composed of A. L. Shane, '33, C. J. Newman, '35, H. A. Smith, '34, and F. R. Weis, '35, was defeated in the quarter-finals of the Interfraternity Auction Bridge Tournament. Last year we were fortunate enough to win the cup.

The bowling team was more successful than the bridge team. They were runners-up in the Interfraternity Bowling Tournament. The team consisted of A. L. Shane, '33, H. A. Smith, '34, F. K. Graham, '34, J. H. Hagerty, '34, and F. R. Weis, '35. Last year Iota Alpha also won this contest.

Another pledge has been added to the list within the past month. He is William Gamble, '36, of Avalon, Pennsylvania.

The freshman and sophomore classes of this chapter ranked first and second, respectively, in scholarship among forty-seven fraternities on the campus.

Lambda Alpha
Westminster College

The announcement of scholastic standing on Westminster's campus gave good cause for Lambda Alpha to rejoice. The 1930-31 averages found the T. U. O.'s next to the bottom on the list. In the 1931-32 season Lambda Alpha moved to third place with an average above that of the all-men's average. This improvement is the realization of a long, hard fight to maintain some systematic arrangement for the improvement of the scholastic standing. This evident improvement has pleased the members to such an extent that all have agreed upon more effective study rules and regulations.

Before the Christmas holidays it was the privilege of pledges Kelso, Davison, Crill, Shaw and Allshouse to be initiated into full membership. These men were pledged in the first semester of the 1931-32 college year and have since fulfilled every obligation demanded of them.

On December 10, 1932, Lambda Alpha held a dance for the newly-elected pledges. Les Daniels of Sharon furnished the music. The crowd was capacity, for having pledged twenty men the number of couples totaled fifty. The committee in charge decorated with two Christmas trees; one in the house, the other on the front lawn.

After the usual round of excitement, Lambda Alpha chapter elected the following officers to serve for the coming year: master, Everett Campbell, Youngstown, Ohio; marshal, Edgar Allshouse, Falls Creek, Pen-

nsylvania; chaplain, Walter Shaw, McKeesport, Pennsylvania; recorder, Richard Shane, Carrollton, Ohio; herald, Robert Douglass, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania; scribe, John Kelso, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. These officers were duly installed on March 11.

The annual spring dinner-dance of Lambda Alpha chapter was held at the New Castle Feld Club, on March 24. The committee in charge of arrangements for the formal included: Wilson Miller, '33, chairman, J. Clinton Welsh, '33, and Cromwell Ketterer, '34. Credit is certainly due this committee, and the coöperation on the part of the members in making this party a success.

Dinner was served at six-thirty to thirty-six couples. Beautiful compacts, with the fraternity seal, were given as favors. The toastmaster for the evening was past master Gordon Nevin, '33. Response was made by master Everett Campbell, '34. Felicitous remarks followed by Dr. Robert F. Galbreath, president of Westminster College, and Professor Edward Freeman.

Austin Wylie and his orchestra furnished music for the dance. Alumni returning for the formal included Brothers Dague, Fisher, Turner, Holt, Stewart, Glenn, and Littell. The invited guests were Dr. and Mrs. Robert F. Galbreath and Professor and Mrs. Edward Freeman.

Gamma Beta
University of California

The following officers were elected and installed on April 1, 1933: Duane Luther, master; Vanon Irvine, marshal; Carlyle Hillsman, scribe; George Widler, chaplain; John Taylor, herald; Ralph James, house manager.

Delta Beta
Muhlenberg College

Two new men, Norton L. Behney, '36, and Robert Fenstermaker, '36, were initiated into active membership before the Alumni Banquet on Saturday evening, March 11, 1933.

Francis E. Gaumer, '36, was pledged on March 1, 1933, bringing the total number of pledges to six.

Plans are being formulated for the annual Spring Formal to be held at South Mountain Manor, Wernersville, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, May 20.

A joint Mothers' and Fathers' banquet was held on February 25, at the chapter house.

Zeta Beta
Monmouth College

The chapter fared rather badly in intramural competition this year. At the beginning of the year we held the football and swimming trophies but these were taken away from us by the Beta Kappas and the Tekes, respectively.

"Dad" Elliott, world-wide Y. M. and Y. W. worker, gave a series of lectures at the College recently. He was the guest of the fraternity at luncheon, and afterwards led a very interesting discussion on "The Problems of the Youth Today."

Eta Beta
Alabama Polytechnic Institute

One of the most enjoyable social functions this season was the annual spring dance given by the members of Theta Upsilon Omega fraternity at their chapter house on South Gay Street on March 4, 1933.

Streamers of Old Gold and Blue, the fraternity colors, were hung from the ceiling, forming a canopy in the center of the room. Members and guests danced to the music of the ever-popular Auburn Knights, under the direction of Frank Noble.

Alumni Notes

Gamma Alpha

Jack Armstrong, '32, has been engaged in special work for the Mechanical Engineering Department of Stevens. He and Emil M. Kloeblem, '32, are continuing their studies in the Graduate School.

Professor Arthur J. Weston was the speaker on one of the "League of Nations" programs broadcast over radio station WOR. He read a paper written by the Honorable S. V. Nichols on the need for better international understanding, and the desirability of adhesion to the World Court and the League. Brother Weston has accepted an invitation to appear on one of the other programs sponsored by the same organization.

The Chapter Council is engaged in the compiling of a complete list of the addresses of all men connected with the chapter before and after nationalization.

Henry and Arthur Meinhold played with the alumni basketball team against the varsity this year. Both were outstanding performers with the Crescent A. C. team during the season.

S. Frank Roach, '32, is teaching the principles of electricity at the Dickinson High School, Jersey City.

The banquet celebrating the twenty-sixth anniversary of the founding of Phi Kappa Pi was held on February 18 at Meyer's Hotel in Hoboken. A large number of the alumni of Phi Kappa Pi, the local at Stevens which became Gamma Alpha chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega, as well as T. U. O. alumni were in attendance.

The toastmaster for the evening was George H. Spencer, '19. Alfred G. Norris, '12, one of the three founders of Phi Kappa Pi, was present and was included among those who spoke. Other speakers were Professor Arthur J. Weston, Robert Dirkes, '20, L. R. Anderson, '19, and George L. Mitchill, '11.

A meeting of the Chapter Council was held in conjunction with the banquet. Jack Armstrong, '32, and George M. Brundige, '32, were elected to membership. L. Schueler, '23, and A. W. Rinck, '28, were reelected to the Council.

At the conclusion of the banquet and election the alumni and those active body members who were present adjourned to the chapter house. The remainder of the evening was spent in renewing old acquaintances and recalling old experiences.

Delta Alpha

Frederick ("Swede") Calkins, '26, recently returned from Washington, D. C., where he had been supervising the construction of government buildings. He is now in Chicago, supervising the remodeling of the famous Blackstone Hotel.

James J. Gathercoal, '27, is employed by the Aldis Company in Chicago, at present remodeling and designing entrances for loop buildings. Residential architecture is his specialty, however, and examples of his work may be seen in a number of places in the exclusive North Shore suburbs.

Edwin Godfrey, '31, who is practicing law in Morris, Illinois, is now tax advisor for that city.

Philip G. Evans, '23, can be heard every day over WENR and WJJD,

Chicago radio stations, reading stock reports and giving advice to the farmers of the land.

C. O. Smith, '27, has been appointed cashier and assistant to the controller of the Western Felt Works of Chicago.

Max D. Engelhart, '23, is now living at 6518 Blackstone Ave., Chicago. He has had several articles published recently: one in the September issue of the new *Journal of Experimental Education;* on in the January number of the *Elementary School Journal;* and one in the May issue of the *American School Board Journal.*

Epsilon Alpha

Bruce Stallard, '32, is working as a salesman of the Edward Tailoring Company in Philadelphia.

Neal Bowman, '25, instructor in merchandising in the School of Commerce, was recently elected second vice-president of the General Alumni Association of Temple University.

Kenneth Shelley, '31, is Assistant Credit Manager with the Sun Oil Company.

Charles H. Herrold, '31, has joined the staff of the *Selinsgrove Times* of Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, as an associate editor.

Zeta Alpha

John R. Bower, '30, after his graduation from Jefferson Medical College, will be an interne at the Reading General Hospital.

Norman Egel, '31, is a sophomore at the Rochester Medical School.

Melvin C. Shuttlesworth, '29, is teaching on a school ship off the coast of New Jersey.

A. E. Boerner, '32, is enjoying a vacation in Hamburg, Germany.

A. W. Shorts, '30, is working for the Sterling Oil Company.

Eta Alpha

Joe Walstrom, stationed at Bangkok, Siam as Assistant U. S. Trade Commissioner, is expected in Washington on furlough this summer.

Ronald Marquis, who is with the U. S. Customs Department in London, England, is also expecting to visit his native land while on furlough this summer. He will have with him Mrs. Marquis and his infant son, George Kier.

Floyd Pomeroy recently passed the District of Columbia bar examination and, according to Elbert Huber and Louis Siebold, he will now be able to concentrate on "contract" instead of "contracts."

Sherman E. Johnson, '27, now a student at Northwestern University, will receive his A. B. and B. D. degrees in June. During the past year he has been president of the student body at Northwestern, and is a member of Eta Sigma Pi, classical languages honorary society.

Brother Johnson's ordination to the diaconate took place on April 30 at Belleville, Illinois, which was his home some years ago. The office of deacon is the first grade in the ministry of the Episcopal church.

Deacons usually serve for six months to a year before being ordained priests. At present, Johnson has a charge at New Lenox, Illinois, which he has been conducting with a great deal of success.

Theta Alpha

Walter S. Jenkins, '31, was recently elected first vice-president of the New Hampshire Music and Allied Arts Extension Society. The object of this society is to arouse enthusiasm for cultural activities in communities which are now isolated from the advantages of hearing artists and speakers on the subject of art· thus enriching the opportunities of more people in the line of cultural endeavor.

Brother Jenkins, who is the organist at the Community Church, in Durham.

is also doing private teaching on the campus. Recently he completed a rhapsody for orchestra, solo piano, and chorus, which will have its first hearing on May 24 at the Manchester, New Hampshire, Institute of Arts and Sciences. This work is built upon two University songs; "The New Hampshire Hymn" and "Alma Mater's Day."

Recently Brother Jenkins returned from New York, where he was working with Gladys Swarthout and Lucrezia Bori of the Metropolitan Opera company, who are using some of his compositions in concert this year.

Last year he was at Harvard doing graduate work for a master's degree in music.

Iota Alpha

E. M. Roeber, '33, is working in a distributing station owned by the Standard Oil Company in Harrisburg at present. Brother Roeber attended the Soph Hop this spring.

V. P. Frey, '31, is selling insurance in Linesville, Pennsylvania, at present. This was his home while attending Penn State and before he lived in Pittsburgh.

A. E. James, '28 is continuing his medical work in the Episcopal Hospital at Front and Lehigh Streets in Philadelphia.

Jacob Davis, '26, paid the chapter a visit over a recent week-end.

Kappa Alpha

Gene Bolich, '32, was a recent visitor to the campus.

Okey Allison, '24, is assistant to the vice-president of the Carolina Cadillac Company of Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Walter Bain, '26, is manager of the Belk-Stevens in Burlington, North Carolina.

Alton B. Claytor, '26, is now editing the *Lincoln County News* in Lincolnton, North Carolina. He visited the chapter during Homecoming last October.

Delta Beta

The annual Alumni Banquet, celebrating the fifth anniversary of the chartering of the chapter, was held on Saturday, March 11, at the chapter house. Speakers were Dr. I. M. Wright, head of the education department of the college, and Dr. Eugene Fetter, instructor in the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia.

Donald V. Hock, '32, has been appointed chairman of the Committee for the Aid of the Homeless Boys of Philadelphia. Brother Hock is well fitted for this position, since he has spent some time studying slum life in large cities, and engaged in social service work in New York City.

Zeta Beta

Virgil Boucher, '32, Eddie Bencini, '30, and Graham Pogue, '32, are frequent visitors at the house. "Tige" coaches at Seaton, Eddie at Biggsville, and "Murph" at Terre Haute.

Jimmy Marocco, '30, is teaching at Christopher, Illinois. "Al" Sloan, studying at the Harvard Law School writes and says that he won his first "law case" in competition with another student.

Eta Beta

Harbin Lawson, '32, who is teaching and coaching athletics at the Grove Hill High School, Grove Hill, Alabama, attended the Spring Dance given by Eta Beta chapter on March 4, 1933.

G. V. Nunn, '32, who is teaching at the Gordo High School, Gordo, Alabama, visited Eta Beta chapter on his way to the Teachers' Convention held in Montgomery recently.

W. G. Little, '32, is now the owner and operator of a drug store in Linden, Alabama.

Personal Mention

When diplomas are handed round in June, the active chapters will be bereft of many members whose chapter and campus activities are notable.

Gamma Beta seniors who will leave at the end of this semester are "Wes" Lachman, Senior Class president and politician of importance about the

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University of California; Arthur Werner, house manager of two years' standing, and big shot among the engineers; "Bud" Osler, house manager during the past semester; and Oliver Talley, varsity broad jumper. Talley, known as "Tut," gained a position on the Blue and Gold track team for the second time this year when he made points for the university in the broad jump.

Lambda Alpha has one of the best senior class groups in years, with eleven active members. Gordon Nevin, past master, and the officers assisting him, have set a goal which the present officers will aim to achieve.

Gamma Alpha at Stevens loses five men this June. They are Edward C. Kroeber, Rodney McDonough, Richmond L. Cardinell, Edward G. Polster, and Edward H. Reichard.

Edward H. Reichard, retiring master of the chapter, has been one of the most prominent men on the Stevens campus. He is the manager of this year's varsity baseball team, a position to which he was elected following his services last year as assistant manager, member of Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity, and is also on the Stevens Athletic Council.

Reichard also took part in the A. S. M. E. Pageant, and was in charge of the properties for the play, "Androceles and the Lion," presented last year at Stevens. His scholastic standing has always been high, and his name is customarily found on the Dean's List. He has served the chapter in the offices of herald, marshall, I. F. C. delegate, chapter council representative and master.

Richmond L. Cardinell has been the foremost member of the Stevens Dramatic Society for some time. He has been affiliated in some manner with every production on the stage of the Stevens Theater for the past four years. He first appeared in the A. S. M. E. Pageant behind a set of ferocious whiskers and a bear rug.

Among his other roles were parts in "The Marriage Proposal," "Box and Cox," "The Artistic Touch," "An-

drocles and the Lion," "Two Gentlemen from Soho," and "In A Garden." Cardinell has also been seen in the last three Varsity Shows, "What the Hell," "Come On Athena," and "The Pipefitter's Fancy." Last year he was elected president of the Dramatic Society.

Brother Cardinell has not confined himself to acting. He was the organizer of the first freshman camp orchestra, is proficient as a magician, and was one of those who constructed the new switchboard for the Dramatic Society, designed by Stevens men.

He was co-author, aided in the lyrics and music, and acted as assistant director of the Varsity Show presented this year. He has filled the office of scribe for the past year.

Ten members of Epsilon Alpha chapter will graduate this June from Temple University. They are Malcolm C. Farrow, master; David Weaver, marshal; Gordon Calvert, recorder; J. Richard Baker, scribe; James Yon, Curtis Bicker, James Dodds, Lee Marsden, Harold McComb, Clifford Snedeker and Charles Evans.. All of these men have been prominent in campus and fraternity activities. "Pete" Farrow leaves a record of service to T. U. O. that ranks with the best of Epsilon Alpha masters. James Yon led the house in scholarship last semester, with an average of 1.82.

At Zeta Alpha, E. A. Smith, as a member of the debating team, has participated in debates with many colleges in the central eastern division. Another Zeta Alpha senior, P. J. Boscarell, directed the Bucknell Cap and Dagger's latest production "Outward Bound." During his four years at Bucknell, Phil has become known as a great actor. He was vice-president of Theta Alpha Phi, honorary dramatic fraternity, treasurer, vice-president and president of Cap and Dagger.

Jeremiah H. Vail, one of Beta Alpha's seniors, is a member of Skull. He served the chapter and the OMEGAN well as herald, and last year was managing editor of the *Tech News*.

When the degrees of the George Washington University have been granted in June, Eta Alpha will find itself without the services of four members who have contributed much to its advancement in recent years. These four men, Steele McGrew, Roger Marquis, J. George Wenzl, and Clyde Reeves, have not only been active in the chapter, but also have distinguished themselves in various lines on the university campus.

Steele McGrew, after serving two years as pledge master and one year as recorder, guided the destinies of the chapter through a most successful term as master. On the basketball court, the baseball diamond, the tenis court, and on the bowling alleys, Steele could always be depended upon to produce when the extra punch was needed. As a member of the "Iron Men," the George Washington football team of 1929, Steele played some great football, and was credited as being one of the best punters in the East during that season. For his work on that team, he was elected to the captaincy the following season. To confound the old legend of "brawn but no brains," Steele served Gate and Key, honorary activities fraternity, as president, became a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, national honorary activities fraternity, and also served a term on the Student Council of the University.

Roger Marquis has served the chapter in the various capacities of chaplain, social chairman, and marshal, as well as finding time to represent it in interfraternity debate. In university activities, he has served for three years on the *Cherry Tree* staff, the university annual, and has been circulation manager for the *Hatchet*, the weekly newspaper, for

the last two years. In recognition of his work on publications, he was elected to Pi Delta Epsilon and is now serving that organization as treasurer. Not to slight his scholastic work, he is a member of Pi Gamma Mu, national social science honor society.

J. George Wenzl was social chairman of the chapter during a most successful social year, and has also served in other capacities. Being a talented musician, he organized the orchestra for the Troubadors, who each December present an original musical comedy, and is now musical director of that organization. George is also a member of Gate and Key. As a member of the band, he carries the sousaphone whenever it appears at football games or any other public function. As a member of the Student Council, he will direct this year's University Carnival which is not only one of the University's outstanding events, but one of the most coveted positions. Not to disregard his scholastic abilities, he is a member of Delta Phi Epsilon, professional Foreign Service fraternity.

Clyde Reeves is the only one of Eta Alpha's graduates this year from a professional school. The chapter is indeed proud of Clyde, as he is receiving his M.D. degree from one of the foremost medical schools in the country. Clyde, in his undergraduate years, served the chapter in many minor capacities, but has distinguished himself most by his ability as a golfer and bowler in the realm of interfraternity competition. Much of Eta Alpha's highly successful 1933 bowling season is due to Clyde's ability to perform when the team neaded it most.

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Although we have paused to pay tribute to the departing seniors, graduation has not dimmed hope for the furture of the chapters. There seem to be plenty of good juniors stepping right up into the seniors' recently vacated shoes.

Lowell Broomall, '34, was unanimously elected president of the Temple chapter of Blue Key, national honorary fraternity, on March 21. Lowell was formally inducted as Blue Key president on April 7. He is one of the campus leaders in extra-curricular activities, having held leading roles in Templayers and Score and Encore dramatic productions. Lowell played in the University Orchestra this year, and was student accompanist and leader of the Men's Glee Club which participated at the second annual intercollegiate glee club contest at the Academy of Music, Philadelphia, last month. Competing in this contest were Haverford, Penn State, Pittsburgh, West Chester and Temple. Penn State won and Temple gained second place.

Ray Groller, '34, is a busy football manager for the 1933 season. Ray's managerial duties commenced March 27, when Spring practice began under Pop Warner's watchful eye. Fifty-six football candidates reported for work.

Raymond Groller '34 and Joseph H. Shinn '34, were inducted into Blue Key national honorary fraternity at the semi-annual initiation held in the Great Court of Mitten Hall.

H. Edward Krooss, Δ B '34, and Ralph G. Keeport, Δ B '34, were initiated into Alpha chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha, honorary philosophy fraternity of which Ray O. Bachman, '33, is the president. Brother Krooss was a member of the Muhlenberg delegation to the Model League of Nations Assembly of the Middle Atlantic Colleges held at Lehigh University April 6 to 8. The Muhlenberg delegation represented the Netherlands.

Peter deBruyn, Γ A '34, has been made assignment and news editor of the *Stute*, official student publication

at Stevens. Brothers Oliver and Blirer, '35, are now on the junior editorial board of the same paper. Peter deBruyn also served on the Junior Prom committee this year.

Owen Sadler, Z A '34, was recently appointed to Bucknell's Student Council.

B. W. Appleton, H B '34, has been elected to the Executive Cabinet of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, and has been made business manager of the *Alabama Farmer*, a publication of the agricultural students.

Ken Satchell, E A '34, was appointed managing editor of the 1933-34 Students' *Handbook* by the Temple University Student Council. He was recently elected vice-president of the Temple chapter of Sigma Delta Chi.

Joseph H. Shinn, E A '34, and his orchestra furnished the music at Freshman and Sophomore nights and at the annual Y.M.C.A. Triangle Ball, April 7.

Epsilon Alpha has six members who are active in Y.M.C.A. work at Temple.

David Weaver, '33, is president; Clifford Snedeker, '33, Woodrow Wilson, '35, Joseph Shinn, '34, Wilson Hamor, '35, and William Jiles, '34, are cabinet members.

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Student publications at George Washington University are, as usual, rather thoroughly directed by T.U.O.'s.

With the going to press of the 1933 *Cherry Tree*, Ralph McCoy, as editor of the yearbook, ends his career on the school publications. Assisting him in other capacities were Wendell Bain, as business manager, Miles Snider, Paul Newland, and Dick Vander Zwart.

In recognition of his efforts on the 1933 yearbook, Miles Snider was elected to the *Cherry Tree* board for 1934. Wendell Bain retains his position on the board as business manager for another year.

Another member of Eta Alpha chapter has been honored by pledging Pi Delta Epsilon, honorary journalistic fraternity. Miles Snider was so recognized for his work on both the *Cherry Tree*, the annual, and the weekly newspaper, the *Hatchet*. At the same time, Ralph McCoy was elected vice-president of Pi Delta Epsilon. Other members of Eta Alpha who are active in Pi Delt include Roger Marquis, treasurer of the fraternity, Wendell Bain, past treasurer, and John A. Walstrom.

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Gordon McCain is chairman of the debating squad at George Washington University, and hopes to lead his cohorts in the footsteps of Harry Clayton who, with Jimmie Hobbs, captured the Delta Sigma Rho trophy last year.

Alan Dryer is recuperating from an appendicitis operation. Allan's operation was a serious blow to the Eta Alpha bowling team, for which he had previously turned in some stellar performances.

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During the recent Interfraternity Track Meet one of Eta Beta chapter's men, W. S. Smith, '35, won honors in the broad jump and the one-hundred yard dash.

B. C. Pope, H B '33, who was runner-up in the Interfraternity Tennis Tournament last year, has entered the tournament again this year.

Alfred Harrison, H B '33, and pledge Jimmy Atkinson will represent Eta Beta chapter in the Interfraternity Golf Tournament which will take place soon.

Edward J. Hazen, '34, took part in the annual hand-ball tournament at Stevens, and reached the semi-finals before being eliminated.

Joseph Costanza, '34, is playing second base on the Stevens nine this year. He has been elected to the position of captain for next year's basketball team.

Two other Gamma Alpha men are on the varsity baseball team this year. Arthur Reichard, '35, plays short-stop, and Horace G. Oliver, '35, is in the outfield.

Walter E. Carbone, '35, has been elected secretary and manager of the Stevens Rifle Team.

John Weatherly, star sprinter, of Zeta Beta chapter, is working out daily in preparation for the Drake Relays. He holds the college indoor records for the broad jump, the 100, and the 440.

Marion Harper and Rupert Bencini represent the fraternity on the Monmouth College tennis team.

Three Kappa Alpha freshmen made the freshman track team this year. Dealy Dogan polevaults, while Frank Parker and Billy Fraley run the hurdles and quarter-mile respectively. June and Joe Morrison of Kappa Alpha are making the most of their last year on Davidson's baseball team. Another Kappa Alpha man, Miller Cochran, is active with the track team. He throws the discus, shot and javelin, holding the college record for the discus.

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F. A. Tucker, K A '35, was recently elected to Mu Beta Psi, honorary musical fraternity. Brother Tucker has been active in orchestra and Glee Club work at Davidson for the past two years.

F. M. Cochran, K A '34, was appointed a member of the committee which arranged the entertainments for Junior Speaking.

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Charles Sutlive, '35, was elected to the Reporters' Club at Davidson.

Woodrow Wilson, '35, has been elected to the circulation staff of the *Temple University News.*

Elroy E. Clark, '33, past master of Theta Alpha chapter, acted as chairman of the informal dance given April 7 by Casque and Casket, the New Hampshire interfraternity organization.

At Penn State College, F. R. Weis, '35, was elected a member of Phi Mu Alpha, a national honorary music fraternity. This society, also with other music organizations on the campus, has been giving regular weekly concerts. Brother Weis is also a member of the famous Penn State Blue Band.

William Gamble, '36, has been elected to Phi Eta Sigma, national honorary freshmen scholarship fraternity.

F. K. Graham, '34, served as advertising manager for the last production of the Penn State Players. Brother Graham has also been nominated as a Student Council representative by one of the political cliques on the campus.

A. L. Shane, '33, served on two dance committees this year. Those dances receiving the benefits of Brother Shane's work were the Senior Ball and the Inter-fraternity Ball.

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Richard Lowcock Θ A '35, who was forced to leave school for a year because of financial reasons, flashed into the headlines of Boston papers on February 23. Dick was the hero in the rescue of three Arlington, Massachusetts, boys from Mystic Lake. The boys were skating 150 feet from shore when the ice broke and they were plunged into the frigid water. Dick and a Mr. Lough, pushing a ladder before them, crawled on the ice for about 50 feet when they, too, were plunged into the water. Mr. Lough succeeded in getting back to shore but Dick locked his arm in the ladder and breaking the ice with his other arm, forced his way almost to the drowning youths. He thrust the ladder ahead of him and the boys held onto one end while he held the other and waited until the fire department reached them with a fire-boat.

Vital Statistics

Marriages

Theta Alpha—Earl Brooks, '32, to Miss Dorothy Weeks of Nashua, New Hampshire, on July 8, 1932.

Edward Whittemore, '33, to Miss Alma Lovekin of Plymouth, New Hampshire, on February 25, 1933.

Iota Alpha—John Brown McWilliams, '26, to Miss Marion Lilley of New Albany, Pennsylvania, on December 24, 1932.

Lambda Alpha—Thomas M. Coles, '34, to Miss Louise Adams, of Cairo, Egypt, on January 16, 1932.

Births

Gamma Alpha—To Brother and Mrs. Eugene B. Geh, '25, a son, Robert Eugene, on April 8, 1933.

To Brother and Mrs. Charles R. Van Riper, '29, a daughter on February 27, 1933.

To Brother and Mrs. Richard Steinmetz, '28, of Jersey City, a daughter, Sally Jane, on April 1, 1933.

Kappa Alpha—To Brother and Mrs. Alton B. Claytor, '26, a son, Alton B., Jr., on April 8, 1933.

Lambda Alpha—To Brother and Mrs. Thomas M. Coles, '34, a daughter on January 18, 1933.

A PROGRAM FOR THE LOCAL CLUBS

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There are no financial obligations involved in the formation of a local club. The object is primarily social. No by-laws are necessary. There are no assessments by the National Fraternity. If you are residing in a community in which there are other Brothers, organize a local club for Alpha Chi Rho. You will be surprised to find the good feeling thus developed. The undergraduates expect it and frequently inquire, as also do prospective members during the rushing season, of the number of our local clubs in existence.

Renew the old friendship and good times enjoyed during college days. The mechanics of the process are simple. Merely notify your local member of Alpha Chi Rho that a club is to be formed at a definite time and place; elect a president, vice-president and secretary; decide on a suitable time and place for future meetings; initiate the program here set forth—and the task is done.

The national office will be glad to furnish a list of the Brothers residing in your community. The Vice President of the Fraternity will be delighted to assist.

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Samuel Austin Reilly, Jr.

Samuel Austin Reilly, Jr., Γ A, '29, died in his twenty-sixth year after two month of illness, on August 20 at Presbyterian Hospital, New York.

"Ivan" entered Stevens Institute of Technology in September, 1925, from Irvington High School, New Jersey. In March, 1927, he was initiated into Theta Upsilon Omega and before graduating with his class in June, 1929, served his faternity as Steward and Recorder. He served his alma mater just as loyally, winning his varsity letter in lacrosse in his junior year.

After graduation, he taught at the Institute in the Electricial Engineering Department for one year. He then took a postgraduate course at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and following that became a member of the staff in the New York laboratory of the Bell Telephone Company, for whom he was working at the time of his death.

He was a member of the Montclair Athletic Club, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and Tau Beta Pi. He was an officer and teacher in the Irvington Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday School.

"Ivan's" memory will always be fresh in the minds of those who knew him. May time ease the sorrow that is in the hearts of his parents and two brothers, Thomas A. Reilly and Bertram B. Reilly.

Notes and Comment

A story which fraternity editors like to print is the tale of brother So-and-so who lost his fraternity pin on a battlefield in a strange land. Later the pin is turned up in the furrow of a plow, and graces the bosom of a buxom country lass until it is spotted by a globe-trotting brother who retrieves it and it is eventually returned to its rightful owner.

We could write a much less romantic story about the time we lost our pin in a strange city, in a hotel where no fraternity function was in progress and where we were not registered as a guest; and the pin came back to us within an hour, even before we knew we had lost it. However, we shall leave that story for another time. It will improve with age as most stories do. Right at present a more interesting pin story comes along from *The New Yorker* under the caption:

PIN PAWNING

"Mr. H. W. Hawley is employed in the research department of the Cunard Line, and there he would be unmolested by our moving finger if he didn't have an odd little hobby which makes him of special interest. He retrieves lost fraternity pins for owners. He started eighteen years ago, when he set out to find his own fraternity badge (Sigma Phi). He hasn't found it yet, but is still hopeful, and in the meantime has helped about fifty other fraternity men to their pins. He hunts in pawnshops, and has made a large fraction of his discoveries in two particular shops which seem, somehow, to be headquarters for fraternity pins: J. B. Koplik & Company on Park Row, and the United Pledge Society, 843 Eighth Avenue. If he finds a pin that has the initials, chapter, and year of the owner on its back, he sets out to find him. He writes to the national secretary of the fraternity concerned and gets the last address of the owner. He then writes him direct. If the letter comes back, he follows up the clue of the address and usually locates the owner anyhow. He tells him "I've found your beautiful pin and I hope your spirit is not so dead you don't care," and also how much is due the pawnbroker. Replies fall into three categories: 'Hurrah, send it to me; here's the money,' 'Don't bother me; I have too many troubles already,' and 'I think you're some kind of a crook and will tell the police if you pester me.' The first letter comes in more frequently if the national secretary, who naturally knows Mr. Hawley, has written and the owner knows all is well. In behalf of the skeptical frat brothers it may be said that mostly they have lost their pins through theft and are therefore suspicious.

"Once, the owner of a pin Mr. Hawley found started suit against Koplik & Company. The pin had been stolen and the gentleman didn't see why he should pay for it. One of the Kopliks went to court and had to stay around all day waiting for the plaintiff to show up, which he never did. This upset Mr. Hawley quite a bit. The Koplik shop is now run by two sons of the house who are members of the Columbia chapter of Phi Epsilon Pi, and that may explain why their firm does so much frat-pin business.

"Mr. Hawley says that fraternity men seldom pawn their own pins, that they

would rather quietly starve if it comes to it. Koplik, to be sure, has a Phi Beta Kappa key pawned by the owner, but that is an exception. Next to theft as a case for loss of pins come girls, although most young ladies drop in and redeem their pledges before the school-holiday seasons. Just lately, one girl talked the United Pledge people out of ten dollars for a pin, saying that she was down from Ithaca and had lost her purse and would surely redeem it. She did, the next day. Once a girl from New Haven came into Koplik's with twelve pins, being, apparently, a great favorite. She said she had to have a new gown, but would redeem the pins soon. She did, too. Lots of girls also buy pins; sometimes, perhaps, to make an impression, but more often to replace ones they have lost.

"The national fraternities used to buy up pins and hold them for the owner if he couldn't be found readily. They don't do it so much lately. Nor do the unidentified pins sell so well. The United people have a Sigma Chi with four diamonds and a Sigma Nu with eleven, and no market for them. Just lying around waiting for better days, like the rest of us."

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Now you are probably asking if there is a T.U.O. pin in either of these establishments. We, too, wondered and did not have long to wait. On April 16 Executive Secretary J. N. Danehower received a letter from the United Pledge Society saying, "We have on hand one Theta Upsilon Omega pin, pearl and ruby set. Like new, no inscription. Price $4.00." However, if you have lost your pin to a college widow, do not rush down to the United Pledge Society. That pin is now in the hands of the Executive Secretary.

A PROGRAM FOR THE LOCAL CLUBS

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At first the question may be asked, "Why a local club?" Then the questioner may sit as did the eleven that uneventful night, unacquainted as they were, though schooled in the same landmarks, fused with the same brand of fraternalism, laden with splendid potentialities, and yet seemingly unable to find the channel of application—because they really did not know each other.

Any Brother, who will set himself to the task, will not go unrewarded. His efforts will be applied fraternalism.

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